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## **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Actions dated June 14, 2006 and a duplicate dated June 21, 2006, Applicants respond as follows. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendment and remarks prior to a review of the pending claims on the merits.

**Pending claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 9 of this paper.